Subject: Send on behalf of Dr. Bruce Leslie: Planning and Preparing for Emergencies
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Dear Alamo Colleges Family,

The Alamo Colleges has devoted considerable resources to planning and preparing for emergencies. The well-being of our students and college community is, and will continue to be, the driving force of all activities in an emergency. The effectiveness of our emergency plan is continuously assessed and improved through drills, training, and review.

Our emergency plan provides guidelines for handling emergencies, disasters, and accidents. It provides a structured response to be followed in the event of emergency and was developed under the guidance of the district’s safety coordinator and police chief. Other professionals on staff are trained to supervise the campus’s response to these emergencies and to communicate with all members of the community. The Alamo Colleges website at www.alamo.edu will be periodically updated to keep parents and others, on and off our campuses, informed during the course of the emergency.

In the event of an actual emergency, the Alamo Colleges community will be notified using the Alamo Alerts system via phone, email, text, and the Alamo Colleges website. It’s critical to keep your emergency contact information updated so we can deliver the most accurate and up-to-the-minute news to you in an emergency. To find out how to update your contact information in ACES, see the Help Guide at www.alamo.edu/emergency. Students should take responsibility for regularly checking their ACES student email. Instructions for automatic forwarding of email messages from an Alamo Colleges account to another account are available on the Alamo Colleges website. Should an emergency arise, please be sure to:

- Stay calm.
- Use telephones and internet only for critical communication. During times of emergency, communication lines can easily become clogged. Reduce your electrical power consumption to a minimum; if you have a cell phone, use it sparingly.
- Follow the directions of college police officers and safety personnel

Sincerely,

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